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**JUSTICE ROBERT R. THOMAS TO ADMINISTER OATH TO NEW  
ATTORNEYS**

Supreme Court of Illinois Justice Robert R. Thomas will administer the attorney's oath to about 80 new lawyers who will be admitted to practice in Illinois in Elgin on Thursday, May 10.

The group is among 654 men and women who were certified as candidates and will be sworn in as Illinois attorneys at ceremonies in the state's five Supreme Court judicial districts.

The Elgin program in the Second Judicial District will begin at 10 a.m. in the Hemmens Memorial Building in the Elgin Civic Center Plaza located at 150 Dexter Court.

Justice Thomas will preside over the ceremony, welcome the members of the class and their families and friends, and administer the oath.

Loren S. Golden, second vice-president of the Illinois State Bar Association (ISBA), will be the opening speaker.

James F. McCluskey, partner with the firm Momkus, Ozog & McCluskey of Downers Grove, will move to admit the new class.

Susan W. Rogaliner, president of the Kane County Bar Association, will second the motion to admit the new class.

A reception will follow.

All of the candidates have passed the Illinois State Bar Examination and an ethics examination; and were certified by the Committee on Character and Fitness.

The new attorneys will bring the total number of licensed attorneys in Illinois to more than 75,000. About 10,000 of these are lawyers who pay a reduced registration fee and neither reside nor practice in Illinois.

Media coverage is invited.

The Second Judicial District consists of DuPage, Lake, McHenry, Kane, Kendall, DeKalb, Boone, Lee, Ogle, Winnebago, Stephenson, Carroll and Jo Daviess counties.

The ceremonies in the other districts will be held in Chicago, Collinsville, Springfield and Ottawa.